



MINNESOTA WILD vs. BUFFALO SABRES



Saturday, January 17, 2026 | 12:30 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: MSG

BUFFALO SABRES

26-16-4 | 56 PTS

4th place in the Atlantic Division

Last Game: 5-3 W vs. MTL

Top Scorers

Tage Thompson: 46 GP, 25 G, 24 A, 49 PTS

Alex Tuch: 45 GP, 16 G, 23 A, 39 PTS

Josh Doan: 46 GP, 15 G, 19 A, 34 PTS

Season Series:

Nov. 29 at MIN | 3-2 W (SO)

Jan. 17 at BUF | 12:30 P.M.

MINNESOTA WILD

26-13-9 | 61 PTS

3rd place in the Central Division

Last Game: 6-2 L vs. WPG

Top Scorers

Kirill Kaprizov: 48 GP, 25 G, 27 A, 52 PTS

Matt Boldy: 48 GP, 27 G, 24 A, 51 PTS

Quinn Hughes: 42 GP, 3 G, 36 A, 39 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Sabres are 15-2-0 in their last 17 games.

It marks the third time Buffalo has earned 15 wins in any 17-game span in franchise history.

The Sabres have never won 16 games in an 18-game span.

Buffalo is the only team in the NHL this season to have won at least 15 games in a 17-game span.

Rasmus Dahlin is currently tied for ninth on Buffalo's all-time assists list and needs one assist to surpass Jason Pominville (304 assists with Buffalo) for sole possession of eighth place.

Tage Thompson has recorded 28 points (13+15) in his last 21 games, including 18 points (7+11) in his last 11 games and at least one point in six consecutive contests (5+7).

A point in today's game would give **Thompson** his second seven-game point streak of the season.

The Sabres have gone 4-for-10 on the power play in the last two games, including two goals in each contest.

If Buffalo scores two or more power-play goals today, it would mark the team's first three-game streak of multiple power-play goals in a game since Dec. 1 to 7, 2022 (three games).

Ryan McLeod has recorded seven points (3+4) in his last six games.

Josh Doan has registered 10 points (5+5) in his last eight games.

The Sabres have earned at least one point in each home game in which **Doan** records a point this season (12-0-1).

Alex Tuch has nine points (5+4) in his last nine games and at least one point in each of Buffalo's last six games.

Zach Benson has notched at least one point in four straight games and he has posted five points (1+4) in that span.

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Justin Danforth (lower body, IR); **Josh Dunne** (middle body, IR); **Jiri Kulich** (blood clot, IR); **Alex Lyon** (lower body, IR); **Josh Norris** (upper body); **Conor Timmins** (broken leg, IR)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 8-10-3 all-time on January 17.

January 17, 2000: Martin Biron stops all 17 Anaheim shots to record his second of three shutouts in an eight-game span as the Sabres top the Mighty Ducks 5-0.

January 17, 2007: Six Sabres skaters record two points (Afinogenov, Briere, Campbell, Paille, Roy, Spacek) in a 6-3 win over the Boston Bruins.

WILD 'N OUT

Buffalo has earned at least one point in seven of its last nine games against Minnesota (6-2-1).

Rasmus Dahlin has recorded eight points (2+6) in his last eight games against the Wild, and has eight points (3+5) in six career home games against Minnesota.

Dahlin has 11 points (4+7) in 12 career games against the Wild, the most points by a Sabres defenseman against Minnesota in franchise history. Jake McCabe's five points (1+4) ranks second.

Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen has recorded a 3-2-1 record, a .922 save percentage and a 2.44 goals-against average in six career games against the Wild.

Luukkonen's .922 save percentage is the highest mark by a Sabres goaltender against Minnesota in franchise history (min. 2 games played).

Josh Doan has a point (1+1) in each of his last two contests against the Wild.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres	Minnesota Wild
26-16-4	Record..... 26-13-9
16-6-2	Home Record..... 13-6-6
10-10-2	Road Record..... 13-7-3
8-2-0	Last 10 Games..... 4-3-3
3.26 (10th)	Goals For Per Game..... 3.06 (T-17th)
3.11 (T-20th)	Goals Against Per Game..... 2.77 (T-7th)
19.4% (21st)	Power Play..... 22.3% (11th)
83.3% (5th)	Penalty Kill..... 76.7% (26th)
44.9% (32nd)	Team F0%..... 46.5% (30th)
48.8% (20th)	Team SAT% (5 on 5)..... 47.6% (27th)

